

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the heading "DESCRIPTION" on page 1, line 1 with the following heading:

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION--.

Please add the following heading to page 1, line 3:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS: Not Applicable--.

Please add the following heading to page 1, line 4:

--STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED RESEARCH OR
DEVELOPMENT: Not Applicable--.

Please add the following heading to page 1, line 5:

--THE NAMES OF THE PARTIES TO A JOINT RESEARCH AGREEMENT: Not
Applicable--.

Please add the following heading to page 1, line 6:

--INCORPORATION-BY-REFERENCE OF MATERIAL SUBMITTED ON A
COMPACT DISC: Not Applicable--.

Please delete the headings "FIELD OF THE INVENTION" and "BACKGROUND OF THE
INVENTION" and the paragraph [0001] on page 1, lines 5-10, and add the following headings
and a paragraph:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

[0001]

The present invention relates to a consumable electrode type welding method for generating an arc between a welding wire serving as a consumable electrode and a welding base metal serving as a member to be welded to thereby control the welding output.

Description of Related Art including information disclosed under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98--.

Please delete the headings "DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION" and "PROBLEMS TO BE SOLVED BY THE INVENTION" on page 6, lines 5-6:

Please delete the heading "MEANS FOR SOLVING THE PROBLEMS" on page 7, line 2, and add the following heading:

--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Please delete the heading "EFFECTS OF THE INVENTION" on page 7, line 22.

Please replace the heading "BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION" on page 7, line 31 with the following heading:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.

Please delete the heading "INDUSTRIAL PRACTICABILITY" on page 12, line 8.

Please add the following heading to page 17, line 1:

--SEQUENCE LISTING: Not Applicable--.